

of cases in the Supreme Court," and find the same correctly engrossed.

ED. RANDLE, Chairman.

Senator Ireland moved that the Senate elect a calendar clerk on Monday next. Carried.

The President announced the following names as pages of the Senate: Jesse Ellis, Bush Stell, A. S. Forbes and John Porter.

The President also announced the following porters: Lem Chalmers, Lee Blocker, — Swedouski and Jake Rainey.

Senator Dillard offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Judiciary Committee be instructed to consider and report to the Senate the day on which an election should be had, by the Legislature of the State of Texas, for a United States Senator to succeed Hon. J. W. Flanagan, under the act of Congress entitled "An act to regulate the times and manner of holding elections for Senators in Congress," approved July 25, 1866.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Dillard offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sergeant-at-arms be required to furnish, if possible, suitable rooms for the use of the engrossing and enrolling clerks; that he also be instructed to furnish them with fuel, lights, etc., and that the secretary supply them with suitable stationery, etc., to enable them to properly perform the duties imposed upon them by law.

Adopted.

A message from the House announced the passage of a joint resolution requiring presiding justices of each county to make out duplicate returns for Comptroller, Treasurer, and other State officers, and on the Constitutional Amendments.

Senator Parker moved to suspend the rules to take up joint resolution. Carried. Rules suspended, read first time; rules further suspended, and read second time, and passed to third reading; and on motion of Senator Westfall, the rules were further suspended, read third time and passed.

Senator Culberson moved to adjourn till 10 o'clock A. M., Monday. Carried.

SIXTH DAY.

SENATE CHAMBER,

AUSTIN, January 19, 1874. }

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Roll called; quorum present.

Prayer by the chaplain.

The following Senators were absent: Dillard, Flanagan, Ireland and Stirman.

Minutes of Saturday read, corrected and adopted.

Senator Randle stated that W. Burton, of the Thirteenth District, was present and ready to be sworn in.

Senator Wood called for a reading of the certificate of election. Read.

Senator Wood stated that he had a protest to make against the seating of said Burton. Protest presented.

Senator Ball moved to refer the credentials just read to the Committee on Privileges and Elections. Carried.

On motion of Senator Wood, the protest of Z. Hunt against allowing W. Burton to qualify until the matter could be investigated was read, and the protest referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Senator Baker stated that Senator Stirman's family were quite ill, and moved that he be excused for two weeks. Granted.

On motion of Senator Westfall, Senator Ireland was excused until Tuesday.

On motion of Senator Swift, Senator Flanagan was excused until Saturday.

Senator Wood moved that Senator Bradley be added to the Committee on Counties and County Boundaries. Motion carried.

Senator Culberson, for the Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report: *Hon. R. B. Hubbard, President of the Senate*:

Your Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred a resolution directing the committee to consider and report to the Senate the day on which an election, in accordance with an act of Congress, should be had by the Legislature of the State of Texas for a Senator in Congress to succeed the Hon. J. W. Flanagan, have considered the same, and ask leave to report that, in the opinion of the committee, said election should be held on the twenty-seventh day of January, instant, the same being the second Tuesday after the organization of this Legislature.

Respectfully submitted,

CULBERSON,
for Committee.

The report was adopted.

Senator Wood introduced a bill entitled "An act to regulate and define mileage to be paid to members of the Legislature." Read first time and referred to Committee on Retrenchment and Reform.

Senator Ball offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sergeant-at-arms be required to furnish each Senator one copy of Paschal's Digest, one copy each of the general and special laws of the Thirteenth Legislature, and one copy each of the journals of the Senate of the last Legislature; and at the expiration of the present session, all of said digests, general and special laws and journals be returned to said sergeant-at-arms, and by him deposited with the Secretary of State.

Adopted.

Senator Westfall offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Printing be requested to take into consideration, and report to the Senate at an early day, the most economical method by which the people may be furnished with the official proceedings of this body.

Adopted.

Senator Erath introduced a bill, No. 5, entitled "An act to add certain lands to the school fund." Read first time and referred to Committee on Public Lands.

Senator Mobly introduced a bill, No. 6, entitled "An act to amend sections 19 and 34, of an act entitled 'An act regulating elections,' approved March 31, 1873." Read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Dillard introduced a bill, No. 7, entitled "An act providing pensions for the surviving veterans of the revolution, which separated Texas from Mexico." Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

The President announced that the Senate would go into the election of a calendar clerk.

Senators Dillard, Erath and Allison were appointed tellers.

Senator Ellis nominated Thos. A. Hester.

Senator Swift nominated Wm. Neal Ramey.

Senator Bradshaw nominated Paul S. McCombs.

Nominations being closed, the Senate proceeded to ballot, with the following result:

On the first ballot, Thomas A. Hester received nine votes, Wm. Neal Ramey eight votes, McCombs four and Chalmers one.

No one having received a majority of all the votes cast, the Senate proceeded to a second ballot, which resulted as follows:

Thos. A. Hester nine, Wm. Neal Ramey eight, McCombs two, Chalmers four.

Senator Bradley moved to drop each time the candidate having the lowest number of votes. Adopted.

No one having received a majority of the votes cast, the Senate proceeded to a third ballot, with the following result:

Thos. A. Hester eight, Wm. Neal Ramey eight, Leigh Chalmers eight.

No one having received a majority of all the votes cast, the Senate proceeded to a fourth ballot. The following was the result:

Thos. A. Hester eight, Wm. Neal Ramey eight, Leigh Chalmers eight.

No one having received a majority of all the votes cast, the Senate proceeded to a fifth ballot. The following was the result:

Thos. A. Hester seven, Wm. Neal Ramey eight, Leigh Chalmers seven.

(Senator Ball in the chair.)

Senator Parker moved to postpone further balloting, and make the election a

special order for to-morrow at 11 A. M. Lost.

No one having received a majority of all the votes cast, the Senate proceeded to a sixth ballot. The following was the result:

Thos. A. Hester six, Wm. Neal Ramey eight, Leigh Chalmers nine.

No one having received a majority of all the votes cast, the Senate proceeded to a seventh ballot. The following was the result:

Wm. Neal Ramey eleven, Leigh Chalmers twelve.

Mr. Leigh Chalmers having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared by the President to have been duly elected calendar clerk.

On motion of Senator Westfall, the Senate adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

SEVENTH DAY.

SENATE CHAMBER,

AUSTIN, January 20, 1874.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Roll called: quorum present.

No absentees.

Prayer by the chaplain.

Minutes of yesterday read and adopted.

Mr. Leigh Chalmers, the calendar clerk elect, came forward and took the oath of office.

The President ordered that the names of the following assistant sergeants-at-arms be dispensed with: Capt. D. M. Wilson, Val C. Giles, Ed. Rhoades, ——— Rabb, P. H. Callahan and ——— Sublett.

Senator Dwyer moved that Senator Russell be added to the Committee on Indian Affairs. Carried.

A message from the House was announced, informing the Senate of the passage of a concurrent resolution by the House to go into the election of public printer on Thursday, the twenty-second instant.

On motion of Senator Wood, the concurrent resolution was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Senator Wood, chairman of Committee on Retrenchment and Reform, made the following report:

Hon. R. B. Hubbard, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Retrenchment and Reform, to whom was referred a bill, entitled "An act to regulate and define mileage, to be paid to members of the Legislature," have carefully considered the same, and beg leave to report said bill back to the Senate, and unanimously recommend that the same do pass. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Wood, Chairman.

Senator Camp introduced a bill, entitled "An act to regulate the sale of the home-